

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re: Application of: **Juergen BENZ et al.**

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 7, 2006, please reconsider the above-identified patent application based on the following: